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News Flash,
Pittsburgh, PA:

A significant numismatic event will occur beginning this Thursday May 11th at 12 noon in the Monroeville Convention Center, Monroeville PA. The Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists will cut the ribbon to begin the three day P.A.N. Spring Coin Show. More than 125 of the country's

finest numismatic dealers will be participating to buy, sell, trade, and talk shop to all numismatic enthusiasts.

Our show floor is sold out. We are anticipating a great crowd of collectors, investors, wholesale buyers, vest packet dealers, and especially those of you that get dragged along because your spouse or best friend talked you into it. Who knows, you may find something personally interesting and get bitten by the same bug that brings so many to our bi-annual events.

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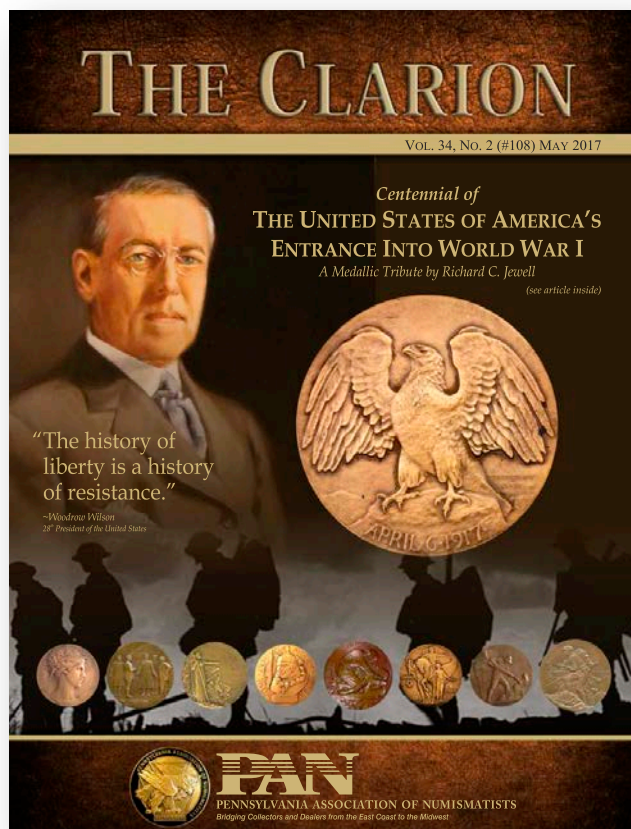
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Clarion is in the mail – The PAN spring issue of the Clarion has been printed and has been sent out to all paid up members. This issue has a great cover story about the Great War and the medals that were produced. Richard Jewell, our Clarion editor, wrote the story. The magazine is adorned with a wonderful cover and filled with interesting and informative articles.

For the PANeNEWS recipients that do not have a paid PAN membership included here is an excerpt from Rich's article and an image of the current cover. If you would like to join PAN you can go to our Membership Page on our website: www.PANcoins.org

Centennial of The United States of America's Entrance Into World War I (A Medalllic Tribute)

Finally after years of attempting to keep us out of the war in Europe President Woodrow Wilson on the 6th of April 1917 asked Congress to declare war on Germany. His patience having been exhausted in his dealings with the Imperial German Government and the American people having been stirred up by a series of incidents including the sinking of the Lusitania and the Zimmerman note, the time had come for America's entrance into the War to end all Wars.

Declaration of War Medal

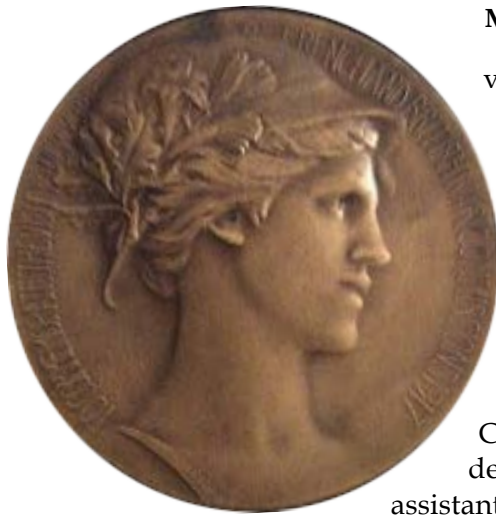
The American Numismatic Society decided to commemorate America's entrance into the First World War with a medal. Eli Harvey (1860-1957) was commissioned and his *Declaration of War Medal*, 1917 was the result. It was bronze, 3-1/2 inches in diameter, produced by the Medallic Art Company, New York. It was to be a single sided piece with a large fierce looking Eagle with its wings spread, perched on a rock with the date APRIL 6, 1917 below. There were 113 issued in bronze and another 50 issued in silver.

French Premier Alexandre Ribot sent a mission to the United States soon after President Wilson asked Congress to declare war. The French Mission contained both political and military representatives of the Third Republic. Their reason for existence was to coordinate American participation in the Great War. The member of the mission, who stood out the most to the leaders of the Wilson Administration, the Congress and the U.S. Army, as well as the American people, was Marshall Joseph Joffre. For many Americans, Joffre personified both France and her Army as the "Hero of the Marne." The British, not to be out done by their French counterparts, also sent a similar contingent.

The British and French War Commissions Visit to New York City Medal, 1917 The *British and French War Commissions Visit to New York City Medal*, 1917, was another piece sponsored by the American Numismatic Society. This time they commissioned Daniel Chester French (1850-1931) to the task. French's obverse was a



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very stylish allegorical head of Victory, much in the fashion that was popular on the European continent. It appears she is wearing a trench helmet to which a sprig of oak, a lily and a cluster of pine needles were added, as symbols of England, France and the United States, no doubt.


The medal was bronze and had a diameter of 2-1/2 inches. The legend surrounding the rim reads: "TO COMMEMORATE THE VISIT TO NEW YORK OF THE FRENCH AND BRITISH WAR COMMISSIONS 1917." The reverse design was created by French's former assistant, and ANS member, Evelyn B.



Longman. Her creation is modeled in a more streamlined, hard-edged style, but still features an allegorical configuration of three figures. Joan of Arc represents France; a medieval knight represents England and a flowing draped Lady Liberty, with sword in hand representing the United States coming to the aid of all Europe.

This excerpt is a nice taste into the type of material that is typically in the Clarion. It is our hope that it is enough to wet your appetite to join PAN and start receiving our publication.

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Your PANeNEWS editor, Pat McBride will be presenting a talk on Friday May 12th at 2:00pm and again on Saturday May 13th at 12:00pm.



This is a fun interactive presentation with examples of the items in

the Power "yawn" Point onslaught. I am so confident that you will enjoy this hour of numismatic trials and tribulations that I am actually bold enough to include a photo of myself so I won't be able to hide if it doesn't go well.

This talk and our Fall Lecture Series talks are in the large back room of the show floor that houses the Collector Exhibit area and the Burns Library. It is set up in such a public way that you can pop in or out and as you please.

We will cover a bit about grading, toning, with buying and selling strategies.

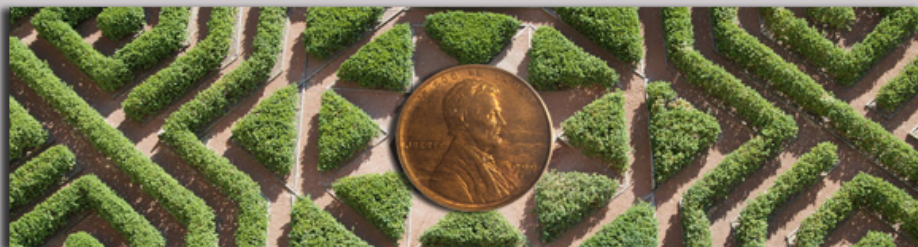
Buying mistakes, coin company advertisements, smart buying tips will also be part of the program. If you are new to collecting you will want to attend this lecture.



This set of Morgans at right is all polished up and waiting for your approval. Find out why it's not a good idea.

PAN LECTURE SERIES

RARE COIN BASICS, WHERE TO START?



PAN SPRING COIN SHOW

Friday May 12th
2:00 pm

Saturday May 13th
12:00 noon

Let's start at the beginning

What should I do first?
How can you tell a good coin?
What should I buy?
Who should I buy from?
What types of items should I buy?
How do I sell my collection?
What about coin grades?

Join us for a round table discussion about the beginning steps in numismatics. We can help you find the answers to your questions. Learn some of the basic knowledge to move you in the right direction to a successful and enjoyable experience. You do not have to have any knowledge in buying or selling coins to benefit from this relaxed lecture.

This is a free lecture without any obligation or pressure to buy or sell. It is solely based on the experiences of those that started like yourself and are willing to share knowledge.





Come to the PAN Spring Coin Show this weekend.

A \$1 donation gives you a chance to win a 1/10th oz American Gold Eagle. To bad that elaborate frame doesn't come with the coin. That was only to get your attention.

We are also having American Silver Eagle give a ways with a winning free ticket. They go off every hour or two during the show.

Who knows while browsing around for that elusive coin you are looking for you may win another coin to add to your collection.



Our supporters just keep on pouring in. Why not set aside some time this Mother's Day weekend and stop in to see us? We'll be here Thursday, Friday, and Saturday but with Mom on Sunday!



Press release from RittenhouseTown

Historic RittenhouseTown to Honor John Mercanti 12th Chief Engraver/Sculptor of the United States Mint

Calling John Mercanti an “important but somewhat unsung artist,” the Board of Directors of Historic Rittenhouse Town located in Fairmont Park, will be awarding the 2017 David Rittenhouse Award at its annual gala in May.

The David Rittenhouse Award honors those who demonstrate excellence as it represents one of the many contributions that Rittenhouse made to American history,” said Barbara Rittenhouse, Board President. “David Rittenhouse was an amazing man. In his lifetime he was an astronomer, inventor, mathematician, surveyor and the successor to Benjamin Franklin as President of the American Philosophical Society. We reserve this prestigious award for those who’ve contributed their talents at the highest level to our nation.”

John Mercanti produced more coins and medal designs than any other employee in the history of the U.S. Mint. Among his works, (in addition to the iconic American Silver Eagle) are gold and silver commemorative coins honoring the Olympic Games, the Statue of Liberty, Dwight Eisenhower, Louis Armstrong, Helen Hayes; five circulating State Quarters and numerous commemorative and bullion medals.

Born in Philadelphia, Mercanti received his artistic training at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, The Philadelphia College of Arts and the Fleisher Art Memorial School.

Previous recipients of the David Rittenhouse Award have included Derrick Pitts, Chief Astronomer and Planetarium Director of the Franklin Institute, Keith Thompson, Executive Officer of the American Philosophical Society and Owen Gingrich, professor emeritus of astronomy and the history of science at Harvard University and a senior astronomer emeritus at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory.

The award, which will be part of the year long celebration of the 225th anniversary of David Rittenhouse being named the first Director of the U.S. Mint, will be presented to Mr. Mercanti on May 17th, 2017 at a reception and dinner at the Merion Cricket Club for his decades of service and outstanding work as the 12th Chief Engraver/Sculptor of the United States Mint.

David Rittenhouse Award Reception and Dinner

Cocktails, Dinner & Silent Auction



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5:30 - Reception
7:00 - Dinner
Merion Cricket Club
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Some of the PAN team loaded up the old buggy and headed off to the Central States Numismatic Society Show April 26th – 30th. PAN exhibit Chairman was wagon master. He took all of our gear on the 500-mile trip to Schaumburg, IL just outside of Chicago. We were glad that he made it without incident and even more delighted to learn that he and his trusty team of horsepower deviated from his usual Motel 6 fare and did a livery stable upgrade to the beautiful Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel.

PAN always has a comp table in the club row at Central States.



Tom Uram and Cliff Mishler

We appreciate the kindness and the welcome from our mid western sister organizations. PAN president Tom Uram got our table all prettied up and ready to go. We had quite a bit of visitors stop by to check out the PAN Auction lots. The variety of material is a great magnet to attract something of interest for everyone. It was so successful that we sold seven buy it now lots at the show. The buy it now feature is offered for the first time with this auction and is turning out to be another PAN good idea. There is a trend starting with the efforts of CoinZip.com and Alan Stullenbarger to create these online auctions as fundraisers for coin clubs. We were glad to be the pilot project that got the concept into a successful working reality. Regional shows run by state organizations often don't have the luxury of a large auction house as part of their shows. This is a growing option that has great potential as we navigate physical coins shows and the digital world that is now becoming part of our

daily lives.

One of the highlights of the show was the exhibit results that included both Tom Uram and Matt Campbell being awarded prizes for their stellar exhibits. Tom's was an extensive multi case exhibit of the Society of Medals and Matt's was a one case display of the Carnegie Hero Medal. Both of these award-winning exhibits will be displayed at the PAN Spring Show.



Tom Uram always makes a point to attend the ICTA dinner at the major shows. PAN has worked in much successful collaboration with ICTA to make sure that legislation is favorable to the hobby, dealers, and collectors. There were many more photos but these give a feel for what a nice and productive weekend it turned out to be.



Author Harry Waterson with Tom Corey in the background pulling out one of our auction lots



Just a reminder, the mystery plaque that was a feature article in the last PANeNEWS will be displayed at the PAN Auction table during the PAN spring coin show. Why not stop by and have a look and venture a guess as to its origin and the artist. We have a few theories so far.



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The American Numismatic Association will hold an election for board of governors this June. PAN is supporting our current PAN president Thomas Uram and PAN Life member Col. Steve Ellsworth ret. In case you are not familiar with the ANA below is an excerpt off of the association's

www.money.org website

The American Numismatic Association is a nonprofit, educational organization and is recognized under the Internal Revenue Service Code as a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt organization. It is governed by a nine-member Board, which includes a president, vice president, and seven governors at large. The ANA's federal charter, granted in perpetuity by the United States Congress, rests control of the Association in the hands of this Board.



In 2017 the terms of all nine officers will expire. Those elected will be installed at the ANA's 126th Anniversary Convention in Denver, CO, August 4, 2017 and will compose the Board of Governors for the next two years.

Individual members 13 years of age or older as of March 31 of an election year and who have been members of the Association for at least one year as of that date shall be entitled to vote in any Association election. ANA-member clubs are entitled to one vote.

Both Tom and Steve are dedicated to the hobby and will work to keep the collector in the forefront within the ANA. The photo at left is Tom presenting Steve our PAN Dealer of the year award in 2015.

Only ANA members can vote in the election. We will have a

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10:30am - 4:00pm Fill Lincoln Cent Folders from 1909 to 1958. Bring your folders from previous KidZone shows and continue to find the dates that you need. If you are just starting then cent folders will be provided. Once you completed at least half of your folders you can begin with the Jefferson Nickel Folder

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2:15 - 2:35 Presentation by Heinz History Center Educational Director, Robert O. Stakeley.

2:35 - 3:10 The PANKidZone Auction will commence! Bid on your favorite lots with the PAN Dollars you have saved or earned. There are 50 items of some great coins, medals, tokens, and paper money.

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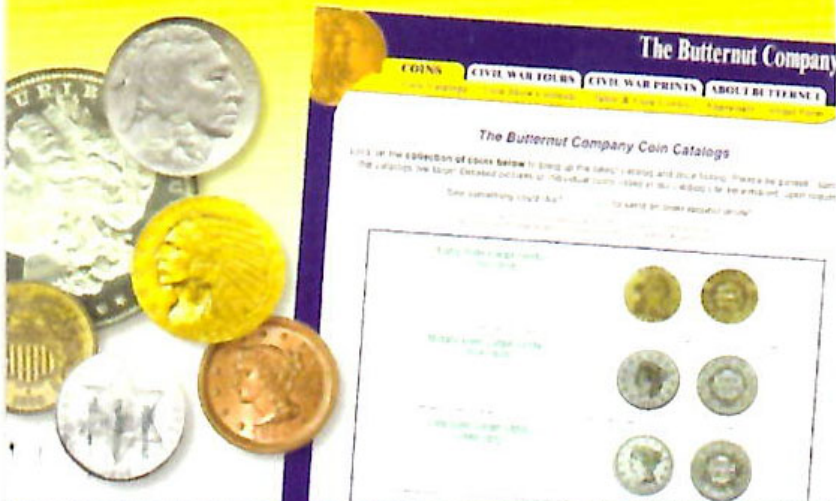
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